

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant: Lixiao Wang

Serial No.: 10/027,417

Examiner: R. Ghafoorian

Filed: December 20, 2001

Group Art Unit:

For: CATHETER HAVING AN IMPROVED BALLOON-TO-CATHETER BOND

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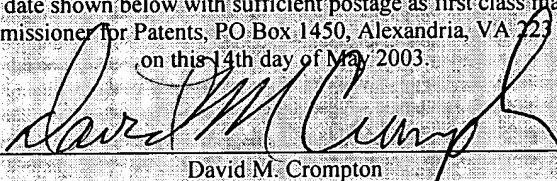
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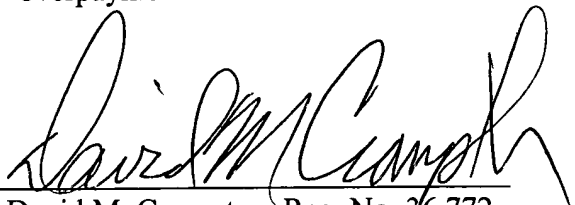
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[ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established.

[ XX ] Other: INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BEFORE MAILING DATE OF EITHER A FINAL ACTION OR NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)), FORM PTO-1449 AND FIVE (5) CITED REFERENCES.

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the obligations of candor and good faith imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are hereby disclosed.

No representation is intended to be made hereby that any of the cited references establishes, by itself or in combination with other information, a prima facie case of unpatentability of any claim of the present case.

The information disclosure statement transmitted herewith is being filed after three months of the filing date of this national application or the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in § 1.491 in an international application or after the mailing date of the first office

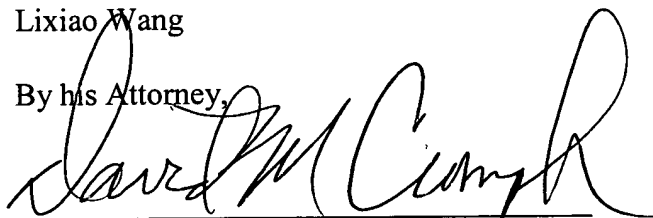
action on the merits, whichever event occurred last but before the mailing date of either a final action under § 1.113, a notice of allowance under § 1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, whichever occurs first.

Accompanying this Information Disclosure Statement are fees in the amount of \$180.

Respectfully submitted,

Lixiao Wang

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